



JEAN-LUC COLOMBO

CÔTE ROTIE "LA DIVINE" 2016

BACKGROUND

Innovation, passion and dedication are what drives Jean-Luc and Anne Colombo, whose contributions to Rhône Valley winemaking is unparalleled. A devotee of the Syrah grape and armed with a pharmacy degree, Jean-Luc and his wife, Anne, opened their wine laboratory in 1984, "Centre Oenologique des Côtes du Rhône" and quickly developed a thriving reputation as a wine consultant throughout France. For their significant life-long contributions to their country, both Jean-Luc and Anne have been awarded the French Legion of Honor, France's highest civilian award. The Colombo's innovative approach in the northern appellation of Cornas was nothing short of revolutionary. Today, Jean-Luc Colombo's wines express the typicity of their terroir with elegance and character, from the Côte Rôtie in the northern Rhône to his Provençal roses.

APPELLATION

Côte Rôtie AOC, France

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

95% Syrah, 5% Viognier

WINEMAKING

Grapes are grown together (50 year-old-vines), harvested together and fermented together.

Only free run juice is used as the wine undergoes three weeks of post maceration at 86°F.

AGEING

The wine is matured 18 months in oak barrels (15% new, 85% in one- to three-year old) and then fined using egg white prior to bottling. The wine is unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES

Deep ruby red color. Superb smoky nose of exotic spices and jammy black fruit. Dense flavors prevail; a very complex, concentrated wine. A first-rate pairing with lamb dishes, chicken tagine, and game birds.

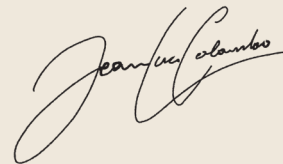
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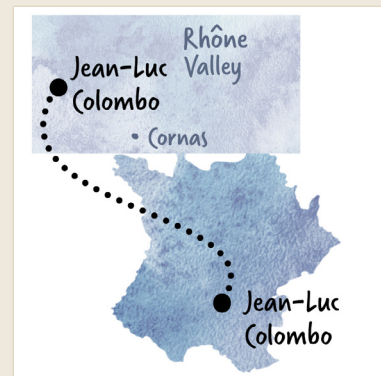
TECHNICAL DATA

Acidity
pH: 3.75
RS: <1 g/L
Alcohol
13.5%

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